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Application Number	09 / 776,523
Filing Date	02/02/01
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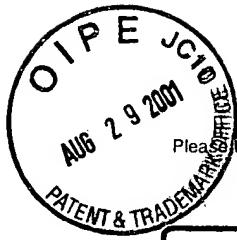
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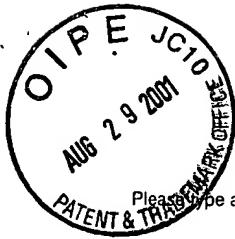
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